

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Riki OGAWA, et al.

SERIAL NO: 10/666,241

GAU: 2624

FILED: September 22, 2003

EXAMINER: PATEL, JAYESH A.

FOR: METHOD OF ADJUSTING THE LEVEL OF A SPECIMEN SURFACE

**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136**

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

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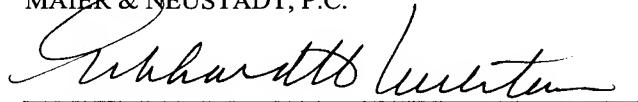
It is hereby requested that a **THIRD** month extension of time be granted to April 16, 2008 for

- filing a response to the Official Action dated:
- responding to the requirements in the Notice of Allowability dated:
- filing the Formal Drawings. The Issue Fee due has been timely filed.
- responding to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application dated:
- filing a Request for Continued Examination (RCE). A timely response to the final rejection, due March 16, 2008 has been filed.
- filing an Appeal Brief. A Notice of Appeal was filed on:
- Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown below is reduced by one-half.

The required fee of \$590.00 is being made by credit card payment and any further charges may be made against the Attorney of Record's Deposit Account No. 15-0030.

Respectfully Submitted,

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